

- (1) an inner peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the inner container,
- (2) an outer peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the outer container,
- (3) an upper surface interconnecting the inner peripheral edge and the outer peripheral edge, and
- (4) an opening through the upper surface of the collar which is radially spaced from the rim of the outer container,
- (5) wherein the opening is in fluid communication with the first chamber and is not in fluid communication with the second chamber when the outer peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container.

29. (New) An article of commerce, comprising:

- (a) an outer container defining a first chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the first chamber has a depth;
- (b) an inner container defining a second chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the second chamber has a depth which is at least one-half the depth of the first chamber; and
- (c) a collar including at least:
  - (1) an inner peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the inner container,
  - (2) an outer peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the outer container, and
  - (3) an upper surface interconnecting the inner peripheral edge and the outer peripheral edge and having a detachable section effective for forming an opening of predefined size through the upper surface upon detachment of the detachable section,
  - (4) wherein the opening is in fluid communication with the first chamber and is not in fluid communication with the second chamber when the outer


peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container.

30. (New) An article of commerce, comprising:

- (a) an outer container defining a first chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the first chamber has a volume and a depth;
- (b) an inner container defining a second chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the second chamber has a volume and a depth, with the depth of the second chamber at least one-third the depth of the first chamber; and
- (c) a collar including at least:
  - (1) an inner peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the inner container,
  - (2) an outer peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the outer container,
  - (3) an upper surface interconnecting the inner peripheral edge and the outer peripheral edge, and
  - (4) an opening through the upper surface of the collar which is radially spaced from the rim of the outer container,
  - (5) wherein (i) the opening is in fluid communication with the first chamber and is not in fluid communication with the second chamber when the outer peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container, and (ii) a majority of the second chamber volume is positioned within the volume of the first chamber when the outer peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container.

31. (New) An article of commerce, comprising:

- (a) an outer container having a sidewall defining a first open-top chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the first chamber has a longitudinal depth;

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- (b) an inner container having a sidewall defining a second open-top chamber and an upper peripheral rim wherein the second chamber has a longitudinal depth which is at least one-third the depth of the first chamber; and
  - (c) a collar including at least:
    - (1) an inner peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the inner container,
    - (2) an outer peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the outer container,
    - (3) an upper surface interconnecting the inner peripheral edge and the outer peripheral edge, and
    - (4) an opening through the upper surface of the collar,
    - (5) wherein the opening is in fluid communication with the first chamber and is not in fluid communication with the second chamber when the outer peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container, and
  - (d) wherein the entire sidewall of the inner container is radially offset from the sidewall of the outer container.

32. (New) An article of commerce, comprising:

- (a) an outer container defining a first open-top chamber and an upper peripheral rim;
- (b) an inner container defining a second open-top chamber and an upper peripheral rim; and
- (c) a collar including at least:
  - (1) an inner peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the inner container,
  - (2) an outer peripheral edge configured and arranged to sealingly engage the upper peripheral rim of the outer container,
  - (3) an upper surface interconnecting the inner peripheral edge and the outer peripheral edge, and

- (4) an opening through the upper surface of the collar which is radially spaced from the rim of the outer container,
  - (5) wherein the opening is in fluid communication with the first chamber and is not in fluid communication with the second chamber when the outer peripheral edge of the collar is sealingly engaged with the upper peripheral rim of the outer container, and
  - (d) wherein the opening through the upper surface of the collar and a point on the inner peripheral edge which is radially aligned with the center of the opening are located together within a segment of the collar having a rise of less than one half the radius of the collar.
33. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein the collar is sealingly engaged to the upper peripheral rim of the outer container by a continuous adhesive seal.
34. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein (i) the outer container has a sidewall with an inner surface and an outer surface, (ii) the inner container has a sidewall with an inner surface and an outer surface, (iii) the inner surface of the sidewall of the outer container and the outer surface of the sidewall of the inner container cooperate to at least partially define a first compartment having a first volume, (iv) the inner surface of the sidewall of the inner container at least partially defines a second compartment having a second volume, and (v) the second volume is equal to or greater than the first volume.
35. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein (i) the outer container has a sidewall with an inner surface and an outer surface, (ii) the inner container has a sidewall with an inner surface and an outer surface, (iii) the inner surface of the sidewall of the outer container and the outer surface of the sidewall of the inner container cooperate to at least partially define a first compartment having a first volume, (iv) the inner surface of the sidewall of the inner container at least partially defines a second

compartment having a second volume, and (v) the second volume is between about 50% to 90% of the total volume of the first volume and the second volume combined.

36. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein the outer and inner containers have separate and independent bottoms at least partially defining the first and second chambers respectively.
37. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein the second chamber has a longitudinal depth which is at least one-half the depth of the first chamber.
38. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein the inner container and collar are integrally formed from a single piece of material.
39. (New) The article of commerce of claims 28 through 32 wherein (i) the opening through the upper surface of the collar has a center, (ii) the inner peripheral edge has a point which is radially aligned with the center of the opening, and (iii) the radially aligned point on the inner peripheral edge is less than 0.5 inches from the center of the opening through the upper surface of the collar.

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